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In re Application of
Hassan Serhan et al.
Application No. 10/676,869
Filed: September 30, 2003
Attorney Docket No. DEP-5172

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed February 15, 2008, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely respond to the non-final Office action mailed April 13, 2007, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. Accordingly, by operation of law, the above-identified application became abandoned on July 14, 2007.

The petition decision mailed January 11, 2008 dismissed the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed November 1, 2007 for failure to provide the required proper statement of unintentional delay under 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3), the petition was unsigned.

The instant renewed petition includes a signed statement of unintentional delay.

The renewed petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that (1) the reply in the form of an amendment; (2) the petition fee of \$1,540; and (3) the required statement of unintentional delay have been received. Accordingly, the amendment is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Carl Friedman at (571) 272-6842.

The application file is being referred to Technology Center Art Unit 3733 for appropriate action on the merits.

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for David Bucci
Petitions Examiner
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